

## REMARKS

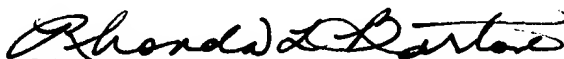
The Office Action dated March 31, 2004, was received and carefully noted. A response to the Office Action was timely filed on June 30, 2004. The above amendments and the following remarks are supplemental to the response filed on June 30, 2004.

Applicants acknowledge and thank the Examiner for indicating that claims 3-8 are allowed. By this Amendment, claims 2 and 9 have been canceled. Entry of the foregoing amendment is requested.

Should the Examiner believe anything further is desirable in order to place this application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, the Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension, together with any additional fees that may be due with respect to this paper, may be charged to Counsel's Deposit Account No. 01-2300, **referencing Attorney Dkt. No. 100341-09004.**

Respectfully submitted,



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